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U.S. Patent Application Serial No.: 10/050,600

Our Reference:

YAM.046

Dear Examiner Hartman:

Enclosed is an Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 which is responsive to the Final Office Action dated July 24, 2008.

Thank you in advance for your kind consideration on this case.

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Very truly yours,

Joseph P. Hutka, Esq. Sean M. McGinn, Esq.

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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.116

Sir:

In response to the Office action mailed July 24, 2008, please consider the following:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Amendments to the Claims are shown begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 11 of this paper.